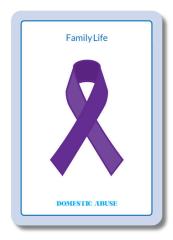
## **Family Life**



Domestic abuse is one of the most devastating challenges to family life. It involves incidents or patterns of controlling, threatening, degrading and/or violent behaviour, including sexual, psychological, financial, online abuse or harassment. It is usually perpetrated by a partner or ex-partner, though UKI legislation also recognises abuse by family members or carers.

Scripture calls Christians to stand with those who are oppressed and to join in with God's work of restoration. Listening without judgement, respecting a survivor's decisions and offering to walk alongside them can be gentle yet powerful ways of showing love and care.

## Links to further support and resources:

<u>About us - Restored</u> A Christian charity with a mission to speak up about violence against women and girls and to equip the Church to stand against domestic abuse and support survivors.

Respect | Home is the UK charity supporting perpetrators of domestic abuse to desist as well as offering advice for male victims of domestic abuse.

